

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to recite the claim of priority to International Patent Application No. PCT/CH2002/000337, filed June 21, 2002. The title has also been amended to be consistent with the title of the invention as noted on the Application Transmittal Papers filed December 17, 2004.

Claims 1-12 remain pending in the application. Claims 1-2 and 4-12 have been amended to conform with the formalities of the United States Patent Office practice and to eliminate improper multiple dependency. Claim 12 has been further amended to define more clearly what applicants regard as their invention. It is respectfully requested that the above amendments and remarks be entered into the file of the application. No new matter has been introduced by these amendments.

No fee is believed to be due for this amendment. Should any fees be required, such fees should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-3013.

Respectfully submitted,

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